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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Application of:

Adolph et al.

Serial No. 09/853,927

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For: HYDROLYZABLE
PREPOLYMERS FOR EXPLOSIVE AND
PROPELLANT BINDERS

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ELECTION AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the attached continuation application, which is based upon application serial number 09/497,873, filed on February 4, 2000, as follows.

In the Claims

Please amend the following claim:

25. (Once Amended) The degradable prepolymer product of claim 24, wherein the diol comprises polyethylene glycol comprising a molecular weight of about 400.
26. (Once Amended) The degradable prepolymer product of claim 24, wherein the diol comprises polycaprolactone comprising a molecular weight of about 500.

Remarks

Applicant has amended claims 25 and 26 to indicate a mistake regarding dependency. Both of the claims are dependent upon claim 24. Originally, claim 26 was mistakenly dependent upon claim 25. This, of course, was impossible because it would have referenced the claimed diol being two different chemical compounds.